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## AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

This Amendment and Request for Reconsideration is submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 5, 2004, and is accompanied by a Petition for a one month Extension of Time (with fee), extending the due date for this response until December 6, 2004 pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.7 as December 5 falls on a Sunday.

Please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.